Franklinites,
I’ve got chicken on the brain. Might be a good week for Chick-Fil-A. Hmm, let’s think about that. And chicken tenders. I hear that if you return your Yale dishes to the dining hall there’ll be chicken tenders on Thursday. Plow ahead this lead-up week to the holiday, and don’t give in to self-doubt. I think of Shel Silverstein’s “Whatif.” Shel was a wonderful poet and artist, as well as a family friend whom I still and always miss.

-Dean Hill

Last night, while I lay thinking here,
some Whatifs crawled inside my ear
and pranced and partied all night long
and sang their same old Whatif song:
Whatif I’m dumb in school?
Whatif they’ve closed the swimming pool?
Whatif I get beat up?
Whatif there’s poison in my cup?
Whatif I start to cry?
Whatif I get sick and die?
Whatif I flunk that test?
Whatif green hair grows on my chest?
Whatif nobody likes me?
Whatif a bolt of lightning strikes me?
Whatif I don’t grow taller?
Whatif my head starts getting smaller?
Whatif the fish won’t bite?
Whatif the wind tears up my kite?
Whatif they start a war?
Whatif my parents get divorced?
Whatif the bus is late?
Whatif my teeth don’t grow in straight?
Whatif I tear my pants?
Whatif I never learn to dance?
Everything seems well, and then
the nighttime Whatifs strike again!

-From “A Light in the Attic”
CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Nov. 18: November Recess begins, 9 p.m.

Nov. 27: Classes resume, 8:20 a.m.

Nov. 30: Last day to relinquish on-campus housing for the spring term without charge. See Undergraduate Regulations.

Dec. 1: Last day to convert from the credit/D/Fail option to a letter grade in a course offered in the second half of the term.

Dec. 8: Classes end, 5:30 p.m.; reading period begins. Last day to withdraw from a full-term course or a course offered in the second half of the term.

Dec. 14: Reading period ends, 5 p.m. Final examinations begin, 7 p.m. Deadline for all course assignments, other than term papers and term projects. This deadline can be extended only by a Temporary Incomplete authorized by Dean Hill.

Dec. 20: Examinations end, 5:30 p.m.; winter recess begins. Deadline for all term papers and term projects. This deadline can be extended only by a Temporary Incomplete authorized by Dean Hill.

Dec. 21: Residences close, 12 noon.

Tutoring in BF!

*Resident Writing Tutor*
The Benjamin Franklin Writing Tutor is Lesley Finn. Her office is in Room 24, LL. Hours are Tuesdays 12-2:30 p.m. (BF only!), Wednesdays 1-5 p.m. and Thursdays 7-8:30 p.m. To sign up for an appointment go to www.yalewco.com or email lesley.finn@yale.edu.

*Resident QR Tutor*
Xiaochuan Xing, graduate student in Economics - Room 19, Entryway A, LL. Hours are Sundays 7-9 p.m.

Yale Tutoring Resources:
Writing Tutors
Writing Partners
Sc/QRTutoring
Language Tutoring
**STUDY ABROAD**

**Schedule an Advising Meeting**
Appointments are scheduled for 30 minutes and take place during designated office hours. While each adviser specializes in specific locations, it is okay to schedule a meeting with any adviser if you have not yet identified where you would like to go. For more information about the advisers, visit [Get to Know Our Staff](#).

**Drop-In Hours**
Advisers are available to answer quick questions during drop-in hours which are held every **Friday from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. when classes are in session**. No appointment is necessary. Students are seen on a first-come, first-served basis for a maximum of 15 minutes each.

**Newsletter**
Sign up for the [Yale Study Abroad Newsletter](#) to receive updates twice per month about upcoming application deadlines, information sessions by region or program, social events, and more.

**FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMS**

**Upcoming Events**

**Information Session: Light Fellowship**
Monday, November 13, 1:00pm – 2:00pm  
CIPE, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 305

The Light Fellowship team provides important and detailed information about application procedures and requirements of the [Light Fellowship](#), which funds the study of Chinese, Japanese, and Korean at approved sites in Asia. Applicants are required to attend a session to be eligible to apply for a Light Fellowship.

**Information Session: Fellowships 101**
Tuesday, November 14, 4:00pm – 5:00pm  
CIPE, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 305

Learn about fellowships to support research, independent projects, and purposeful activities next summer and beyond. Find out what you need to start thinking about and acting upon now, what kind of questions you should be asking, what resources are available, and how you can make the most of them to prepare for a fellowship application.

**Information Session: Cultivating Faculty Mentorship/Recommendations**
Tuesday, November 14, 6:00pm – 7:00pm  
Center for Teaching and Learning, 301 York St. Room 104A

Connecting with faculty members can greatly enhance your education at Yale. Learn how to approach faculty members and ask for their guidance on your interests and goals. We’ll also talk about how to ask for letters of recommendation.
Proposal Writing Workshop  
Wednesday, November 15, 1:00pm – 2:00pm  
CIPE, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 305

In this workshop, we will discuss the things committees look for when evaluating fellowship proposals. We will go over what can turn a ‘decent’ proposal into a ‘great’ one, how to approach creating a budget and we will review resources you can use to construct a successful application.

Information Session: Mellon Mays & Edward A. Bouchet Undergraduate Fellowships  
Wednesday, November 15, 4:00pm – 5:00pm  
CIPE, 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 369

The Mellon Mays & Edward A. Bouchet Fellowships aim to increase the representation of students of color and others with a demonstrated commitment to eradicating racial disparities, who will pursue PhDs and subsequent careers in academia. These Fellowships are open to Sophomores interested in teaching and research at the college and university level.

Visit the Calendar of Events for a full list of upcoming events.

Drop-in Hours  
Drop-in hours are held during the semester every Friday from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. when class is in session. The entire fellowships team is on hand to answer quick questions. No appointment is necessary.

Notable Deadlines  
November 17 – Saint Andrew’s Graduate Scholarship Campus Deadline  
November 28 – Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship Campus Deadline  
November 29 – Harry S. Truman Scholarship Program Campus Deadline  
January 17 – Davis Project for Peace Campus Deadline  
January 22 - National Security Education Program NSEP David L Boren Undergraduate Scholarship Campus Deadline  
January 31 - The CIPE Yale College Post Graduate Fellowships Application Deadline

OFFICE OF CAREER STRATEGY  
General Drop-in Advising: Mon-Fri, 10:00am-4:00pm at 55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor (when classes are in session).  
Virtual Career Fair for job seekers with Disabilities, Wednesday, Nov. 15.

Summer 2018 Yale-coordinated Internship Opportunities LIVE Friday, Dec. 1  
Visit the Yale Career Link to view a broad variety of internships in the US and abroad. Note: a) students have 5 (five) business days to accept an extended offer (unless otherwise set by the employer), and b) the first application deadline is Friday, January 26, 2018.
New ISA-eligible International Internships
Students who secure international internships independently may apply to receive International Summer Award (ISA) funding. Learn more on the Office of Career Strategy website.

Reserve Space at the Office of Career Strategy for Remote Interviews (55 Whitney Avenue, 3rd Floor)
Choose times for the entirety of your interview (including set-up) and bring all equipment (laptop, microphone, etc.). There is no phone available for the room. When you arrive, proceed to Room 366, no need to check in. Sign-Up Sheet: https://www.wejoinin.com/sheets/gzbxp

Upcoming Association of Yale Alumni Career Programs:
- Career and Life Vision; Job Search Strategies, Nov. 11, 11:00am-4:45pm, Register
- Humanities in Action–Career Workshops, Nov. 12, 1:00pm-5:00pm, Whitney Humanities Center, Register
- Yale Career Panels: A Candid View of the Legal Profession Webinar, Nov. 15, Register
- Meet 3 Yale Public Service Award-Winners, Nov. 17, 3:45pm-5:00pm, Nick Chapel Theater (Trumbull College basement), RSVP
- The Art of Public Speaking–Skill-Based Workshop, Dec. 1, 1:00pm-3:30pm, Register
- 1stGenYale Students & Alumni Networking Mixer, Wed, Nov. 15, 8:30pm-10:00pm, Afro-American Cultural Center, RSVP

Resource of the Week: 2017 Summer Peer Networking List
Available under Resources-Document Library on Yale Career Link. Connect with thousands of current Yale students to learn about their summer experiences! The list can be searched on a variety of fields including location, employer, industry, or function.

Visit the Calendar of Events for a full list of upcoming events. Log in to Yale Career Link under Events/Employer Information Sessions to RSVP.

Yale Summer Session
Yale Summer Session New Haven offers more than 200 courses in the humanities, social sciences, STEM, and the arts for full Yale credit. Not going to be in New Haven? Take an online course for credit. Lighten your term time load or explore something new by taking a summer course! Financial Assistance available.

Dates:
- Session A (May 28 to June 29, 2018)
- Session B (July 2 to August 3, 2018)

Yale Summer Session
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summer.yale.edu
THE YALE UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH ASSOCIATION (YURA)

The Yale Undergraduate Research Association is proud to present its updated and improved Research Database (RDB), a resource for undergraduates to find research opportunities. RDB features 1400 faculty listings with research descriptions across 60 fields of study, including the humanities, social sciences, and STEM. Discover potential faculty mentors who share your research interests at https://yura.yale.edu/database.

TEDX Yale Student Speaker Competition

Have you ever dreamed of speaking on a global stage? Do you have a design for the future? An untold story just waiting to be heard? An idea worth spreading? We’ve heard from social entrepreneurs, microeconomists, museum curators, and environmental activists, and we want to hear from you.

The TEDxYale 2018 Flagship Conference will be held on March 3, 2018 and we invite students to join our growing roster of speakers. Apply, take the stage, and share your idea!

The application for the Student Speaker Competition closes at 11:59 PM on November 25, 2017. Further details about the competition can be found in the application below.

Apply at:

https://goo.gl/forms/ClRJCJlqn14NCkOr1

YALE COLLEGE DEAN’S OFFICE (YCDO): FIRST-GENERATION AND/OR LOW-INCOME INITIATIVE

The YCDO has put together a team of students to work with Dean Burgwell Howard on first-generation and/or low-income student issues. They are compiling information on resources for first-generation and/or low-income Yalies. If you are interested in receiving emails on such resources, please sign up for the panlist here. Emails sent to this panlist will cover topics such as professional development and career paths, personal finances, academic resources, and campus events.
YALE MCDB MAJORS

FALL BRUNCH

KBT Lobby
November 13th, 2017
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Serving Coffee/Tea, Donuts/Pastries, and Fruit!
Looking for dynamic opportunities outside of your classes and campus involvements? Searching for meaningful experiences for the spring and summer? You can get involved with Teach For America’s network of powerful changemakers who are shaping the political, economic, and social future of our country now!

TFA offers multiple paid internships and all-expenses paid experiences for underclassmen from all majors. Through these opportunities, you can strengthen your leadership skills, network with influential changemakers from across the country, make an immediate impact in high need communities, and engage with the complex, systemic issues affecting our nation.

Come learn more about these opportunities during an info session with Yale alumna and TFA Recruitment Manager Timeica Bethel on Thursday, November 16th at 4pm in WLH 012! RSVP here: http://bit.ly/2gPUn9Y

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**Yale Degree Audit**

Yale Degree Audit (YDA) is a tool that tracks your progress toward the bachelor’s degree. YDA is located on the Academics tab of Student Information System (SIS).

YDA displays the Yale College degree requirements that you have already completed and those that are still pending. A “Look Ahead” feature shows you how future course enrollment might apply toward your degree.

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